

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT :	Covelli	CONFIRMATION No.:	1368
SERIAL NUMBER. :	10/523,618	EXAMINER :	Jonathan R. Stroud
FILING DATE :	April 25, 2006	ART UNIT :	3774
FOR :	IN-VITRO METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF A HOMOLOGOUS STENTED TISSUE-ENGINEERED HEART VALVE		

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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED JANUARY 17, 2008 AND
ADVISORY ACTION MAILED MAY 27, 2009**

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed October 17, 2008 and Advisory Action mailed May 27, 2009, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks. Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal on April 17, 2009. This response should be timely filed on or before August 17, 2009 with a petition for two-month extension of time. Applicants also submit herewith a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and the required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).

Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested. Applicant believes no further fee is due at this time; however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 28558-501, Customer No. 30623.

Amendments to the claims are shown in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.